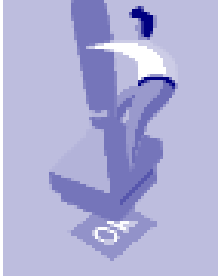


After the Fact Permits

If work was completed at your property without a permit, even if it was done before you owned the property, you must still obtain a permit and have the work inspected "after-the-fact."



If work is in progress without the proper permits, additional penalty fees may apply for attempting to complete work without the permits. In many cases, a licensed contractor will be required to obtain the permits.

If you have received a violation notice from the City for work without a permit, you should take the violation notice along with your other paperwork to:

Construction Services and Permitting
1st Floor
Municipal Services Center
One 4th Street North
Downtown St. Petersburg

If you have questions about whether a licensed contractor, plans, or drawings are required, call ahead at (727) 893-7231.

The following additional brochures are available:

- Address Numbers
- Certificate of Inspection Program
- Commercial Equipment Parking
- Emergency Fire Exits
- Illegal or Abandoned Dwelling Units
- Inoperative Motor Vehicles
- Junk, Rubbish, Outdoor Storage
- Legal Premises Agent for Out of Town Owners
- Maintenance of Buildings
- Painting to Protect Your Home
- Parking in Residential Areas
- Permits Required
- Prohibited Business
- Rodent and Insect Control
- Visibility Triangle Requirements
- Unsafe/Unfit Structures
- Yard (Vegetation) Maintenance Standards



Codes Compliance Assistance
Municipal Services Center Building—3rd Floor
One 4th Street North
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

Phone: 727-893-7373

Fax: 727-893-5558

Visit us on the Web at www.stpete.org/codes.htm

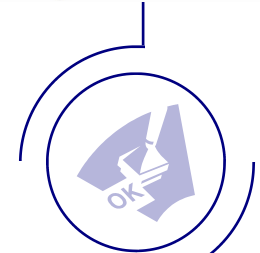
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Permit requirements help insure the safety, workmanship, and quality of any construction, installations and repairs. Compliance with various development and building codes is monitored throughout the process.

These measures also help to protect property values and contribute to the appearance and livability of our City.

In order to build, alter or demolish any structures, a permit is required. When you obtain a permit for work and have the work inspected by the City, several good things happen:

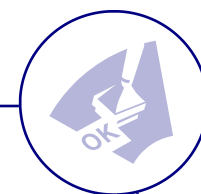
- 1) The proposed work or plan is reviewed by certified people to ensure code compliance and life safety before any work is actually done.
- 2) A permanent record is created about the property so that anyone who is interested can see that improvements have been done according to code.
- 3) The actual work is inspected by certified people who are concerned with code compliance and life safety.
- 4) The community is assured that building setbacks and minimum standards for design and construction are met.

Whenever you obtain a permit for any type of work, it is important to remember to call and schedule the required inspections with the City 24 hours in advance. If, after 180 days, you have not had the work inspected, the permit is considered invalid.

For property that is not owner-occupied, a licensed contractor must obtain permits and perform work. A homeowner (owner-occupant of a single-family home or duplex) may obtain their own permit and perform work themselves, but only under strict conditions. The homeowner must submit a signed, notarized owner's affidavit which states that they are acting as their own contractor and are taking full responsibility for these actions.

To get a permit for work on a small residential project, you will need to pay the required fee and provide personal identification to prove you can legally obtain the permit. Drawings prepared by a licensed professional may be required.

For any size project, it is a good idea to call ahead and check for requirements so that you can be prepared when you apply for your permit. Call the Construction Services and Permitting Department for more information at: (727) 893-7231



Examples of Work That Require Permits

- House Moving
- Building Construction and Repair
- Demolition of Structures
- Roofing and Repair
- Building Accessory Structures
- Sheds with larger than 10' x 10' Area
- Pool and Spa Installation (Above and In-Ground)
- Electrical Work
- Plumbing (water heater, piping, etc.)
- Mechanical (air-conditioners, heaters, duct-work, etc.)
- Gas (piping and appliance relocation or addition)